Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, The people of the United States and the State of South Dakota should celebrate children as the most valuable asset of the nation and state; and,

WHEREAS, Children represent the future, hope, and inspiration of South Dakota; and,

WHEREAS, The children of the State of South Dakota should not be allowed to feel that their ideas and dreams will be stifled because adults in the state do not take time to listen; and,

WHEREAS, Many children face crises of grave proportions, especially as they enter adolescent years; and,

WHEREAS, It is important for parents to spend time listening to their children on a daily basis; and,

WHEREAS, The people of the State of South Dakota should emphasize to children the importance of family life, education and spiritual qualities; and,

WHEREAS, Parents, teachers, and community and religious leaders should celebrate the children of the State of South Dakota and the United States, whose questions, laughter, and tears are important to the existence of our great state:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim Sunday, October 8, 1989, as

NATIONAL CHILDREN'S DAY

in South Dakota, and request that citizens observe the day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eighteenth Day of August, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Nine

GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

JOYCE HAZELTINE, SECRETARY OF STATE